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# College Life.

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## THE MANLY MAN.

The world has room for the manly man,  
With the spirit of manly cheer;  
The world delights in the man who smiles  
When his eyes keep back the tear.

It loves the man who, when things go wrong,  
Can take his place and stand  
With his face to the fight and his eyes to the light,  
And toil with a willing hand.

The manly man is the country's need,  
And the moment's need, forsooth,  
With a heart that beats to the pulsing tread  
Of the lillied leagues of truth.

The world is his and it waits for him,  
And it leaps to hear the sing  
Of the blow he strikes and the wheels he turns,  
And the hammers he dares to swing.

It likes the forward look in his face,  
The poise of his noble head,  
And the onward lunge of his tireless will  
And the sweep of his dauntless tread.

Hurrah for the manly man who comes  
With sunlight on his face,  
And the strength to do and the will to dare  
And the courage to find his place.

The world delights in the manly man  
And the weak and evil flee,  
When the manly man goes forth to hold  
His own on land and sea.



## New Members of the Faculty.

We are glad to present the new members of the faculty in this issue of *College Life*. They all come to us with the highest recommendations and some of them with honorable records of past achievements. We welcome them to our College community with the hope that our work together may be mutually pleasant and helpful.

Dr. Edward C. Bixler is a native of Maryland. He is a son of Elder Uriah Bixler, an influential bishop of the church of the Brethren. Dr. Bixler was educated at Western Maryland College, Johns Hopkins University and the University of Pennsylvania. From the first he received the A. B. and A. M. degrees; from the last the degree

of Ph. D. He has taught at Elizabethtown College and at Manchester College. Of the latter institution he was president. He is a minister in the church of the Brethren. Last December he was married to Miss Marguerite Englar, a former student of Bridgewater College. Since commencement in June, Dr. and Mrs. Bixler have been spending the vacation at Long Beach, California. They will arrive in Bridgewater the latter part of August. He will occupy the chair of ancient languages.

Prof. Frank James Wright has been elected to the chair of Geology and Biology. He is a product of Rockingham Co. After graduating with the B. A. degree at Bridgewater College, he entered the University of Virginia where he spent two sessions and graduated last June with the degree of M. A. During the present vacation he has done some work for the State Geological Survey. He is unmarried and will occupy rooms in Wardo Hall.

Charles W. Ronk, B. Accts., was chosen from a large number of applicants to head the Commercial department. Professor Ronk is a Western man and was educated at Mount Morris College and at Manchester College. He is a minister in the church of the Brethren and has a promising field of useful activity before him. His wife will be matron. Her knowledge of school life, her interest in young people and her tactful nature, it is believed, will make her peculiarly fitted for the position. Professor and Mrs. Ronk will occupy the matron's quarters in Yount Hall, and will be on hand to welcome the young ladies on their arrival in September.

Miss Pearle E. Skeggs is a graduate of the National Business College of Roanoke, Va., and will have charge of the work in Shorthand and Typewriting. She will also teach penmanship. Miss Skeggs is an active Sunday school and church worker, and will in various ways be a valuable adjunct to the faculty.

Mrs. Rebecca Bowman is returning as a regular member of the teaching staff. Some years ago she was teacher of Art in the College for several sessions. Since withdrawing from the College she has conducted a private studio at her home. She has recently taken a course of instruction with a specialist and is thoroughly equipped for her work. She will give instruc-

tion in Oil Painting, Crayon, Water Color, Pastel and China Painting. The studio will be located in the White House.

Miss Emma Glick and Mr. E. M. Wampler have each prepared for a special field of work. Miss Glick is spending the summer in Chicago, taking a special course in the Columbia College of Expression. Mr. Wampler spent part of the vacation in the Y. M. C. A. encampment at Williams Bay, Wisconsin, where he took instruction under eminent specialists. He will give instruction at the College in Physical Education during the coming year.



### The Department of Music.

The session of 1910-11 was in many ways one of the most successful in the history of the institution.

The work, while it has not been as advanced as perhaps in some previous sessions, has been the most satisfactory in a number of ways. The students were more enthusiastic as a whole and while a good many were just entering their courses have done work which is a credit to themselves and the music department.

Our work is second to none in the Valley and we are making the Music Department worthy a place in an institution whose work is recognized by Universities and Colleges throughout the country.

Our graduates are filling positions as directors and leaders in some of the best schools and communities and we pride ourselves in inspiring our students with a desire for the highest in the art of music. As a result, they are entering the conservatories with great credit to themselves and the Music Department of Bridgewater College and in looking back over our number who have entered higher institutions, we do not know of a single instance where they have not won distinction as students and are making a name for themselves as teachers and musicians of the highest rank.

It is needless to say that while we feel proud of the record of the department in the past the future looks brighter than ever before.

Special mention should be made of the work of the College Glee Club, which under present conditions could not be surpassed.

The faculty of the Music Department looks back with pride upon the work of the past session and with greater hopes for the coming session of 1911-12. The demand is greater than it has ever been before and in talking to old students, and also prospective ones, we are surprised at the number who are expecting to enroll as students of music for 1911-12.

We appeal to the old students and friends of this Department to help us in making this the

best music school in the Valley, not only in thorough work but also in numbers as well. It is an easy possibility; so lend us a helping hand by speaking kindly and encouragingly of our work and sending prospective students to become students of B. C. for next session.



### The College Library.

It has been the policy of our thoughtful Board of Trustees for a number of years, during vacation, to devote some time and money to various much-needed improvements about the College buildings and grounds. Even by the time of commencement, the past June, the spirit of the College fathers was being manifested in sodding and beautifying the lawn.

More particularly during the summer months has attention been directed to the library. Friends of the institution will remember that during the past session the College authorities purchased the entire library of the late Dr. Cox. About 4,000 volumes comprised the collection. This taxed the library room, on the first floor of Founder's Hall, to its utmost capacity.

It was discovered that the floor beneath the heavy shelves of books in some parts of the room had sunken several inches. The floor was torn up where necessary and raised to its normal position, precaution being taken to reinforce the weaker points. No further trouble need now be feared from this source.

The need of more shelving space has been apparent for several years because of constant additions of books. The cases have been rearranged at both ends of the room so as to be at right angles to the walls, forming alcoves between them. Considerable space is thus gained and the works may be more readily consulted. In spite of this increased space every nook and corner has to be utilized—and then some of the books must be consigned to another room for lack of space.

The valuable Cox collection has been carefully gone over and classified so that reference to these volumes will be very much facilitated. This is a very important consideration in all libraries because the usefulness of many books depends largely upon their accessibility.

The students of the coming session will note with pride the presence of a large clock just within the entrance of the library. The clock, which is the splendid gift of the faculty of last session promises to be an efficient time-piece, and it is expected to prove a convenient and helpful improvement to the library equipment.

With these changes our library should be in the most convenient and satisfactory condition consistent with the unavoidable overcrowding of the room.

## Some Considerations in Selecting a School Home.

We say home because without the environments and influences that go to make the school a home it loses some of its greatest power for good to those who come under its influence.

Without the home touch a school loses its power to draw out and develop some of the finer qualities of the soul, such as gentleness, regard for others, love, and true self respect.

The first consideration in selecting a school is too often a monetary one. Where can I spend a session in school for the least money is often the only question considered. Because cost is the only real point in determining the selection of a school, many schools and colleges sacrifice efficiency in order to meet the competition in expense for the school year. Where real efficiency is sacrificed a school is dear at any cost. It would not pay to spend the best years for preparation in an inferior school even though it would cost nothing. Time is too valuable to make money the first thought in the choice of a school. Character is worth too much to measure its value by the dollars spent or saved in obtaining an education. The future worth of our sons and daughters means more to us, to our country, and to the church, than a few dollars more to our bank account. As we value the social, moral, and spiritual worth of our sons and daughters, so should we value their school home.

The faculty of a college should not only be measured by its intellectual worth but since it shapes the character as well as the intellect of those who are trained by it, the moral and spiritual worth of the teachers as well as their scholarship must be considered. If a teacher is worthy of his calling he must inspire in the hearts of his pupils something of reverence for his ideals, which must be manifest in his daily life. The pupil will unconsciously imbibe and imitate some of the teachers' qualities. The teacher often shapes the moral and spiritual tone of a pupil's life far more than he knows. We can not over-estimate the value of the influence that is brought to bear on the school life by the teacher.

The size of a school also has much to do with the advantages or disadvantages to the pupil in obtaining an education. A comparatively small school gives a pupil many advantages that he cannot have in a very large school. In a very large school there cannot be the close personal touch with teachers that there is in one not so large. Personal touch and influence means more than mere book knowledge for the pupil.

The environment of a school means much for good or evil to those who make it their home. The neighborhood with its Sunday Schools and Churches helps to influence the pupil for all that is best and highest in life. Open places of vice are

dangerous to all who come in touch with them, and a school is safer and better if there are no saloons, pool tables, skating rinks or other influences of this kind to interfere with its moral development.

Sanitary surroundings with a good climate should also enter into the question when selecting a school home. Get these characteristics combined in proper proportion in a school, and you will not make a great mistake in your choice.



## The English-Pedagogical Course.

We call attention to the English-Pedagogical course as revised in the new catalogue. In its present form we believe the course is fully abreast of the times and in keeping with the best standards of educational progress. It emphasizes English and Mathematics, fundamentals in all learning; and gives sufficient prominence to science, language and history; but at the same time it recognizes the supreme importance of pedagogical training to one who would be instrumental in training the minds of others. To this end the course contains three years work in the various lines of pedagogics. The relation of the teacher to the pupil and to the school is considered. The various laws and principles of the mental life are investigated, and the phenomena interpreted and explained.

The person who completes this course should have such a knowledge of the facts of the mental life and of the laws of its development as to make work in the school room a pleasure and an inspiration. Time was when the mere possession of "some facts" about a subject was regarded as an abundant equipment for teaching that subject. The best way of imparting this knowledge was left to blundering experience. We demand of the up-to-date teacher today that he go about his work intelligently, that he know the minds with which he deals, and that he understand how to apply the subject-matter of the lesson to the needs of the pupil.

Those who have gone out from the College with the B. E. degree and have taken up teaching as a profession have been a credit to themselves and the institution. We predict that the revised course will give even greater prospects for success to those who take the same degree hereafter. Any one who desires to be thoroughly qualified to teach in the public schools can hardly do better than to take this course.



Mr. E. M. Wampler, B. E., who will have charge of the physical training next session has recently returned from Chicago where he had been taking special work in his line. He is enthusiastic over his work in physical education and hopes to make it popular with the student body.



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Next session begins Wednesday, September 6.

Leonard Wampler and Charles Driver have engaged rooms in Wardo.

Don't overlook the opportunities in drawing and painting this year.

Misses Mae and Lenora<sup>1</sup> Early have arranged for rooms in the dormitory.

Harry and Elsie Smucker, and Stanley Hoover from Timberville have reserved their rooms.

Aubrey Coffman will return in September to take up the work of the college course.

James Robert Houchens will also return. He has engaged a room in Wardo.

Isaac S. Wampler of Harrisonburg, Ray Wampler of Timberville, and Fred Miller of Linville, have also secured rooms in Wardo.

John T. Glick has been working in the mission territory of West Virginia this summer. He will take up the work of the college course this fall. Miss Mattie, his sister, will be in school also.

N. A. Seese has found the saw and hammer a good means of exercise during the summer. He will be a freshman this year.

Byron Flory was at the College recently. He is anxious for school to begin. Byron is a senior this year.

Several weeks ago Dr. Thomas L. Watson, Director of the Virginia Geological Survey and Professor in the University of Virginia, visited the Valley and Bridgewater. He was accompanied by Prof. J. H. Cline, of Stuarts Draft, and was investigating the dikes of this section of the Valley. Prof. Watson during his brief stay took occasion to visit the College grounds.

Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Hedrick are now spending their vacation at the home of Mr. John A. Wenger. Prof. Hedrick is head of the Association Institute, a school which is under the direction of the Y. M. C. A. of that city.

On the evening of Aug. 2, Miss Alpha Snell and Mr. J. Elmer Roller were married on Commerce Street of Bridgewater. Both will be remembered as former students of the College and *College Life* offers congratulations.

The president of the class of 1911, Miss Ella Miller, B. A., has been spending the summer chiefly at home. It is understood, however, that she has several trips in contemplation for this month. She will teach in the Timberville School the coming session.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Cline with their three daughters, Alda, Gladys, and Fay, have about concluded their visit to Southern California and expect to start homeward Aug. 12. They will return by way of Washington, stopping at various points of interest along the route, and arrive at their home at Stuarts Draft the latter part of the month. Miss Gladys will continue her work in piano at the College this session.

President Jno. S. Flory taught History in the State Normal at Harrisonburg for about half of the vacation. The remaining time he has been spending in his office in Founders Hall attending to the affairs of the President's Office.

Prof. John C. Myers left shortly after commencement for Canada where he is spending the summer with his brother on their farms, he himself, having also purchased a tract of land nearby. Mrs. Myers is at the home of her parents near Mill Creek.

Mr. H. N. Glick has been in Chicago attending the Columbia College of Expression. He will be remembered as the I. P. A. Champion at B. C. last year. He will be on hand at the opening.

A letter from Mr. H. K. Wright, B. A., '05, informs us that he is now in charge of the Presbyterian church at Sayre, Pa. Since his graduation from B. C. he has taught two years and attended Princeton University four years. This University conferred upon him the M. A. degree the past May, and will grant him the B. D. degree next May, he having already fulfilled all the requirements for the latter degree.

Prof. W. T. Myers, '01, of the University of Virginia, has, during the summer, conducted a teachers' normal at Madison, Va. At present he is in the Congressional Library at Washington investigating the subject of his Doctor's thesis.

Messrs. L. L. Koontz, and C. K. Holsinger, B. A. '09, have been representing the Prudential Insurance Company this summer. Mr. Koontz expects to return for the senior year of his B. A. work, while Mr. Holsinger will be principal of the graded school at Spring Creek, Va.

Early in vacation Prof. McCann went to the University of Maryland Hospital, at Baltimore to undergo an operation. He was confined in the hospital almost five weeks. Now he is at his home on College Street regaining his strength. All students will be glad to learn that he expects to be in health again and ready for his work by Sept. 6.

Prof. Roller has been at his home on College Street for a portion of the time since school closed. He has also been working in the interest of the College and is at present in Page County.

One of our young ministers has been called to fill a position as pastor during the summer months. Mr. Howard Alley has been in charge of the Buena Vista church since June.

Bessie Arnold, Herman Cline, Luella Flory, Elmer Helsley, Pearle Showalter, Melvin Cline, Effie Evers, Ferne Heagley, Ed. Neff, Atha Spitzer, and John Wine of last year's B. E. class will teach this year. We predict that they will all make good. Some of them will return in a year or two to take the college course.

Mr. F. P. Myers has resorted to farming as a means of recreation preparatory to his college work. He will again be editor of the Philomathean Monthly, this being the second year he has edited the Colloge Magazine.

Dr. A. B. Bicknell, after the canoe trip down the Shenandoah river, barely succeeded in catching a train at Washington so as to reach Providence in time to attend the alumni banquet of Brown University. He has been spending a portion of the summer on the bay with his boat.

Professor Fletcher has been far away this summer in the land of sugar cane and cotton. Let it not be supposed, however, that he has been idle. He may have some pleasant surprises in store for the voice students when school opens.

Miss Emma Glick is enjoying the summer's work at the Columbia College of Expression very much. She is radiant with the prospects for next session and will have many good things for her classes. She will return about the first of September.

Miss Marie Myers has been enjoying the vacation at Alexandria and Washington. The family recently moved to the capital city where they will reside. Miss Myers writes that she is proud to be connected with the work at Bridgewater.

Professor Good has spent most of the time since harvest in the field and finds students almost everywhere. He finds nothing but favorable comments about the College. Persons who have been here once are eager and anxious to return if it is at all possible.

The College has found need of Prof. J. M. Coffman in the field. Consequently he is representing the college in West Virginia. Mrs. Coffman is at her home in Elkton.

Mr. J. J. Hamm finds farm work on an Illinois farm a good place to spend the vacation. He thinks probably he can bring a friend or two with him when school opens in September.

Professor Milton B. Wise, of Philadelphia, a former instructor in the College, paid a pleasant call recently. He was greatly surprised and elated to find the improvements that have been made since his last visit.

Misses Blanch and Grace Rowe hope to have some of their friends from Maryland and Pennsylvania here in September. They are now hopeful of getting back also.

Miss Mary Cline will be a member of the freshman class this year. She will be accompanied by her friend, Miss May Cline.

Professor F. J. Wright has been laying up a store of "bugs and creeping things" for the use of the Zoology class next session. He has also been kind enough to help in preparing this issue of COLLEGE LIFE.

At this writing Eld. D. C. Flory is in a series of meetings at the Bridgewater church. The interest is good and the attendance is good and is increasing. The meetings began August 6.

Solomon Williams, of Shenandoah county, has engaged a room in Wardo for himself and cousin for next session.

W. S. Myers, Fred Myers and Welty Picking were among those who engaged their rooms before they left last spring.



## CONVOCATION.

Convocation services will be held at 2 p. m. on Wednesday, September the 6. Professor J. H. Cline, A. M., assistant State Geologist and formerly a professor in the College will deliver one of the principal addresses. Other addresses will be made by prominent educators.

Students should be here Tuesday evening, the 5th, if possible. Wednesday until 2 p. m. will be taken for registration. It is hoped that all may be present to be registered on Wednesday. Class work will begin Thursday morning.

A reception will be given on Wednesday evening by the former students and teachers to the new students and teachers. This will be given in the College parlors and will last from 8 to 10. All are of course expected to be present.

To the convocation services at 2 p. m. Wednesday, the public is invited.

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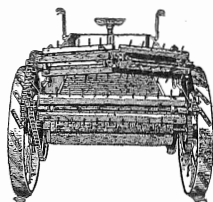
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After the canoe trip was finished, along with various other trips too confidential to mention, Prof. Wm. T. Sanger left Bridgewater for New York about the first of July. In that city Mr. Sanger is attending the summer session of Columbia University doing advanced work in philosophy. About the middle of August he will leave New York for a visit to friends in Philadelphia and eastern Virginia, returning to Bridgewater about September 1st.

Miss Anna Zigler has written for a room in Yount Hall, and Miss Flora Hoover has indicated her desire for a room in the same building.

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